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SUBJECT:FOREIGN WILDLIFE LAWS

1. ACCORDING PRESS, GOK HAS PASSED LAW BANNING HUNTING OF ELEPHANTS. PUBLIC LAW 91-135, AMENDING THE LACEY ACT, 18 U.S.C. 43, MAKES IT ILLEGAL FOR ANYONE TO TRANSPORT OR CAUSE TO BE TRANSPORTED, TO SELL OR CAUSE TO BE SOLD, OR TO PURCHASE IN FOREIGN COMMERCE ANY WILDLIFE OR WILDLIFE PRODUCT TAKEN, TRANSPORTED, OR SOLD IN UNDERScore VIOLATION OF ANY LAW OR REGULATION OF ANY FOREIGN COUNTRY END UNDER-SCORE. IN ORDER FOR THE UNITED STATES TO ENFORCE THIS PARTICULAR PROVISION, IT IS NECESSARY TO KNOW: (1) WHAT THE WILDLIFE LAWS ARE IN ALL THE FOREIGN COUNTRIES AND (2) WHEN THERE ARE CHANGES IN THE LAW SO THAT IT IS POSSIBLE TO DETERMINE WHEN A SPECIFIC ACT BECOMES ILLEGAL.

2. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO ASCERTAIN IF GOK HAS BANNED HUNTING OF ELEPHANTS AND, IF SO, TO TRANSMIT COPY OF LAW TO DEPARTMENT.

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